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SUBJECT: U.S.-MEXICO CONSULTATIVE MECHANISM: ECONOMIC
WORKING GROUP

1. FOLLOWING IS CURRENT STATUS OF PLANNING FOR FORTHCOMING
MEETINGS OF THE FOUR SUBGROUPS OF THE ECONOMIC WORKING
GROUP. U.S. SECTION OF EACH SUBGROUP HAS DEVELOPED, WITH
USG INTERAGENCY COORDINATION, PROPOSED LIST OF AGENDA ITEMS
FOR DISCUSSION AND LISTS ARE BEING TRANSMITTED TO MEXICO
CITY.

2. TRADE SUBGROUP -- PROPOSED DATE IS JULY 18 IN WASHING-
TON. U.S. SECTION WILL PROBABLY BE CHAIRED BY DEPUTY
SPECIAL TRADE REPRESENTATIVE ALAN WOLFF AND, IN ADDITION TO
STR, COMPRISED OF PARTICIPANTS FROM OTHER U.S. AGENCIES
INCLUDING STATE, TREASURY, COMMERCE, LABOR, AND AGRICULTURE.
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PLACE FOR MEETING AND ON PROPOSED AGENDA NOT YET RECEIVED.

3. FINANCE SUBGROUP -- ACCORDING TO TREASURY, MEETING TEN-
TATIVELY PROPOSED TO TAKE PLACE IN MEXICO CITY ON EITHER OF
TWO ALTERNATIVE DATES--JULY 21 OR AUGUST 4. U.S. SECTION
WILL BE CHAIRED BY UNDER SECRETARY OF TREASURY ANTHONY
SOLOMON.

4. ENERGY SUBGROUP -- FIRST FORMAL MEETING TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR JULY 14-15-16 IN MEXICO (CUERNAVACA). U.S. DELEGATION WILL BE HEADED BY CO-CHAIRMEN STEVE BOSWORTH, DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE FOR INTERNATIONAL RESOURCES AND FOOD POLICY, AND CECIL THOMPSON, DEPUTY ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR FOR INTERNATIONAL ENERGY AFFAIRS, FEA.

5. TOURISM SUBGROUP -- PROPOSED DATE IS JULY 21-22 IN MEXICO CITY, WITH U.S. SECTION HEADED BY FABIAN CHAVEZ, ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF COMMERCE.

6. WHILE ARRANGEMENTS FOR MEETINGS NORMALLY BEING WORKED OUT SEPARATELY BY SUBGROUP CHAIRMEN AND SHOULD REQUIRE MINIMUM EMBASSY ACTION, WE WISH TO AVOID TO EXTENT POSSIBLE ANY OVERLAPPING OF MEETINGS WHICH COULD CAUSE CONFLICT IN SCHEDULING OF EMBASSY RESOURCES. PLEASE CONFIRM WHETHER OUR UNDERSTANDING OF CURRENT STATUS OF SUBGROUP ARRANGEMENTS COINCIDES WITH EMBASSY INFORMATION AND LET US KNOW IF TENTATIVE SCHEDULES PRESENT ANY DIFFICULTIES IN TERMS OF EMBASSY SUPPORT, LOCAL HOLIDAYS OR OTHER CONSIDERATIONS.
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